

Quotes #19 USF vs. San José State August 26, 2017



San José State Head Coach Brent Brennan

On what went well in the first quarter and what happened after..

The first quarter was the longest quarter of football I've ever been involved with in my life. We were able to get some momentum running the football. We made some throws, and the blocked punt was huge. Our defense made some stops, but as the game went on, we missed some tackles. Their quarterback was elusive and breaking tackles. Anytime you get your hands on a player like that you have to get him down. We had some outstanding field position during the second half but just couldn't get anything going. The turnovers were huge. One of our keys is to win the turnover battle, and we didn't do that.

On Bailey Gaither...

Bailey has been consistently on the move in the right direction since we started camp. He has a chance to be a really dynamic playmaker for us. He's a great kid, a hard worker, and he has a combo of speed and quickness more so than many on the field.

Quarterback Situation ..

In terms of the quarterbacks, we will make that decision later. To walk off the field and make that decision isn't fair to Josh, Montell or Sam. We'll make that decision in the next few days. The interceptions were tipped balls and some missed plays, and those are fixable.

Josh Love

On the flow of the game...

I thought we did some good stuff early, and we were executing. The scoring fell off. It felt like we needed to answer their scores and just didn't.

On Bailey Gaither...

Bailey is quick. He makes moves and just gets open.

Frank Ginda

On what changed defensively after the first quarter...

I think we got out of our gaps, and we needed to stay fundamentally sound. We'll make those adjustments next week and get better from it.

On covering USF quarterback Quinton Flowers...

We just have to leverage the ball better. We did a good job swarming the ball. Some of those yards were tough for him to get, and we did a good job in the beginning. He's like a running back - he changes direction really well. We had to be more technical and patient.

On the feeling of being up 16-0...

I didn't even know the score. I just get distracted if I know the score. We just had to maintain our composure. I thought we did great things in the first quarter both offensively and defensively. It was fun to watch and something to build on.

Bailey Gaither

On his performance...

It felt pretty good. We just worked hard all fall camp, grinding every day, and it paid off.

On the School Spirit...

I thought the school spirit was tremendous. We had a lot of support and it helped us.

On catching a touchdown or blocking a punt being more exciting...

It's more exciting to block a punt. It was a huge momentum getting the ball inside the five on that play, and then we scored. Special teams are big to us, and to make that play for our team was great.